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Customer No. 22,852  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Hervé BOUCHARD et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1625  
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Application No.: 08/162,984 ) Examiner: B. Trinh  
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Filed: December 8, 1993 )  
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For: TAXOIDS, THEIR PREPARATION )  
AND PHARMACEUTICAL )  
COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING )  
THEM )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
PROSECUTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.129(a)**

Applicants hereby request the above-identified application be examined according to the procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a). This application meets the criteria set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) since it has an actual filing date of December 8, 1993, and an effective filing date of December 9, 1992, and is accompanied by a fee of \$790.00 as required by § 1.17(r). This request is being filed prior to the filing of an appeal brief and prior to abandonment of the application. This request presents new substantive arguments in support of patentability and is being filed concurrently with an Information Disclosure Statement.

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In reply to the Office Action mailed May 11, 2005, the period for response having been extended to Monday, November 14, 2005, (Friday, November 11, 2005 being a Federal Holiday) by a request for extension of three months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following:

**Remarks/Arguments** follow on page 3 of this paper.

**Attachments** include Appendix, Claim Support Chart, and Exhibits A-C.